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## DOCUMENTS BEING FILED:

THE PTO STAMP HEREON ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Filing Form For Continuation U.S. Patent Application;
- (3) Continuation Application (International Publication number WO 01/19497, published on March 22, 2001) including:
  - 17 Pages Application Consisting of:
    - 8 Pages of Textual Specification (in German)
    - 2 Pages of 15 Claims (in German)
    - 2 cover pages including Abstract of the Disclosure (in German and English)
    - 5 sheets of drawings.
- (4) PCT/ISA/210 International Search report
- (5) English Translation of the International Application including:
  - 16 Pages Application Consisting of:
    - 8 Pages of Textual Specification
    - 2 Pages of 15 Claims
    - 1 Page containing the Abstract of the Disclosure
    - 5 sheets of drawings.
- (6) PCT/IPEA/416 Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (in German)
- (7) PCT/IPEA/409 International Preliminary Examination Report with annexes (in German)
- (8) English Translation of the International Application with the Amendments introduced by the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report
- (9) Preliminary Amendment
- (10) PCT/IB/304 Notification concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document
- (11) PCT/IB/308 Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices
- (12) Information Disclosure Statement
- (13) Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter
- (14) Form PTO-1449 with six (6) references
- (15) Unexecuted Declaration
- (16) Check No. 16293 \$776.00 for filing fee and two additional claims fee
- (17) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits and calculating the filing fee for the above-captioned patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3, 4, 6, and 8-11 as per attached with this preliminary amendment. In addition, please add claims 12-22 as per attached with the preliminary amendment. Pursuant to the new rules implementing the AIPA, a clean copy of the amended claims is attached along with a marked-up copy of the claims indicating the proposed claims amendments.